the Brief

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

Understanding Your Utility Bill



Your City of Santa Barbara utility bill may consist of a variety of services including water, sewer, and trash and recycling. But what does the cost of each of those services cover?

Learn about the variety of services your utility bill covers by visiting

SantaBarbaraCA.gov/UtilityBilling.

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COR ART CLASSES: WORKSHOPS FOR THE HUMAN SPIRIT

The City of Santa Barbara is supporting a series of online and outdoor workshops along with the Santa Barbara Arts Collaborative at the Community Arts Workshop throughout the month of October.

The workshops were created with working adults in mind.



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- Poetry: Words to Engage Good Trouble. "... a willingness to pay good attention (the best kind of currency) to what really matters in a time of mutual losses, upheaval, opportunities for social justice and the establishment of unprecedented relationships en extremity." Taught by Rick Benjamin. Mondays, 5:30 p.m., Oct. 5 Nov. 9 (6 classes). \$120. Form: Online.
- Photography Through the Lens of Self and Other. "... You could try this: Stop for a moment before jumping into the day. Instead of logging on, while still in bed in the morning, open your eyes. Notice the quality of light, the shapes coming into view." Taught by Barbara Parmet. Tues. Oct. 6-27, 7-9 p.m. (4 classes.) \$80. Form: Online.
- Creativity Rehab. "This time of strife has confounded the creative practice of most people. This workshop will attempt to reactivate your creative gestures ..." Facilitated by Patrick Melroy. Wednesday afternoons, 4-6 p.m, Oct. 7 Nov. 11 (6 classes) \$120. Form: Hybrid, some sessions online and some in-person, outdoors, socially-distanced, in small numbers.
- Storytelling. "The need for people to share stories becomes even more important as a way to connect and build community. How does one stop becoming a passive consumer of media but an active creator in their own lives?" Taught by Joseph Velasco. Thursdays, 7-8:30 p.m. Oct. 1- Nov. 5 (6 sessions) \$120. Form: Hybrid, some sessions online and some in-person, outdoors, socially-distanced, in small numbers.
- The Drift. "Dérive: It is an unplanned journey through a landscape ... in which participants drop their everyday relations and let themselves be drawn by the attractions of the terrain and the encounters they find ..." Taught by Patrick Melroy. Wednesdays 12 p.m.-1:30 p.m. First class Oct. 7 (6 classes at this time) \$120. Form: Outdoors (socially-distanced, in small numbers).
- Music: Human Musicking. "... music is not an abstract concept or an objectifiable thing, but a process that we all partake in. This course will give participants a foundational grasp and hands on experience ..." Taught by Sio Tepper. Wed. Sept. 30 Nov. 18, 7-9 p.m. (8 weeks) \$160 Form: Hybrid, some sessions online and some in- person, outdoors, socially-distanced, in small numbers.
- Sharing Peace and Joy: A Workshop in Mail Art, Paper, and More. "This is an opportunity to use this new found time at home to learn some new skills to connect with others. While working with materials ... the worries of the outside world fade ..." Taught by Judy Nilsen. Sunday afternoons, 1-2:30. Oct. 4 Nov. 8 (6 weeks). \$120. Form: Online.

For more information and to register online, go to SBCAW.org/Classes

OCTOBER IS WATER VISION MONTH

Participate in virtual activities to help shape our community's Water Vision. Water is central to our quality of life in Santa Barbara. The City is developing a vision for a resilient, reliable, affordable, and environmentally safe water plan—called Water Vision Santa Barbara—that will serve our community long into the future. Your voice is important. Join a line-up of virtual activities this October to help inform our community's Water Vision.



Participate in virtual activities during Water Vision Month to help shape Santa Barbara's water future.

Learn – Watch Videos on Key Water Topics, including:

- Why Our Community Needs a Water Vision
- How Stakeholders Are Informing Our Water Vision
- The Risks/Challenges Facing Our Water Supply
- How We Optimize the City's Future Water Supply
- Overviews of Water Supply Sources

Engage – Shape Our Water Vision at the Virtual Community Board:

Use an interactive virtual platform to express what's most important to you as it pertains to the role of water in your quality of life, ecosystem health, and the economic vitality of our community.

Interact – Talk with City Staff at Live Virtual Lunch and Learns on the following topics:

- The Water Conservation Strategic Plan
- Where Our Water Comes From
- The Basics of Water Rates
- Methods to Optimize Water Resiliency and Reliability
- · Open House Panel Q&A with City Staff

Learn more about Water Vision Santa Barbara and participate in Water Vision month at SantaBarbaraCA.gov/WaterVision

COMMUNITY FORMATION COMMISSION APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE (BILINGUAL)

The City Council is inviting members of the community to apply to the City's Community Formation Commission ("CFC") to advise on the creation of a civilian police review system for the Santa Barbara Police Department (SBPD).

The CFC will explore different types of civilian police review models and examine how they may address the needs of Santa Barbara's many communities in order to make recommendations to the City Council on the adoption of a particular model(s).

The City Council seeks a diverse group of people whose life experience, education, professional skills, and community standing will garner the confidence and trust of the community. CFC members should have a demonstrated interest in community affairs, social justice, criminal justice, and equal rights issues. The Council wants the membership of the CFC to be broadbased and inclusive in all dimensions. U.S. citizenship is not required.

Applications are available in English and Spanish. Applications are due on October 30. City Council may decide to extend this application deadline, however, interviews for the CFC are tentatively scheduled for November 10.

Applications can be found at: **SantaBarbaraCA.gov/CFC**. Please reach out to the City Clerk's office at Clerk@SantaBarbaraCA.gov or (805) 564-5309 with questions.

El Consejo de la Ciudad de Santa Bárbara está invitando a los miembros de la comunidad a aplicar a la Comisión de Formación Comunitaria de la Ciudad ("CFC") para asesorar sobre la creación de un sistema de revisión civil de la policía para el Departamento de Policía de Santa Bárbara (SBPD).

El CFC explorará diferentes tipos de modelos de revisión civil de la policía y examinar cómo pueden abordar las necesidades de las muchas comunidades de Santa Bárbara para formular recomendaciones al Consejo de la Ciudad sobre la adopción de un modelo (modelos) particular.

El Consejo de la Ciudad busca un grupo diverso de personas para representar a la comunidad al sirviendo en una nueva Comisión de Formación Comunitaria. El Consejo busca personas cuya experiencia de vida, educación, habilidades profesionales y con su posición comunitaria puedan obtener la confianza de la comunidad. Los miembros de la CFC deben tener un interés demostrado en los asuntos comunitarios, la justicia social, la justicia penal y asuntos de derechos de igualdad. El Consejo desea que los miembros de la CFC sean de base amplia e inclusiva en todas las dimensiones. No se requiere ciudadanía estadounidense.

Las solicitudes están disponibles en inglés y español. Las solicitudes deben ser sometidas para el 30 de octubre de 2020. El Consejo de la Ciudad puede decidir extender esta fecha límite de solicitud, sin embargo, las entrevistas para el CFC están previstas tentativamente para el 10 de noviembre de 2020.

Las aplicaciones pueden ser encontradas en: *SantaBarbaraCA.gov/CFC*. Por favor comuníquese con la Oficina del Secretario Municipal al Clerk@SantaBarbaraCA.gov o al (805) 564-5309 si tiene preguntas.